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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Hiroshi MIKITANI

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I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In accordance with the new USPTO format and in response to the Office Action dated March 26, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Claims 1-15 are pending in the application. By this Amendment, claim 1 has been substantively amended and the original claim numbers commencing with the second occurrence of claim 6 through 12 have been changed to claim numbers 7-13. Also, claims 14 and 15 are added.

II. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

(There are no amendments to the specification)